

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-17, 21-27 and 30 are all the claims pending in this application. Claims 18-20, 28-29 and 31-33 have been canceled so that the application includes no more than 5 independent claims and 25 total claims.

Applicant hereby requests a refund for 3 excess independent claims and 8 excess total claims that have been canceled from this Application.

It is noted that, notwithstanding any claim amendments made herein, Applicants' intent is to encompass equivalents of all claim elements, even if amended herein or later during prosecution.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully Submitted,

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